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SATURDAY..... MARCH 1, 1890.

## Reed's Rulings.

It was intimated in our telegraphic columns yesterday that the Democrats of the national House of Representatives refused to vote in the PENDLETON case in order to force Speaker Reed to count a quorum and thus pave the way to securing a decision from the Supreme Court of the United States as to the right of the Speaker to manufacture a quorum of his own. It would seem that there ought to be some way in which a wrong of this sort could be corrected; but, as the Federal Constitution makes the House of Representatives the sole judge of the elections, qualifications, and returns of its own members, it may be difficult to find a method of replacing Mr. PENDLETON in the seat from which he was wrongfully removed. However, it will not be Mr. PENDLETON's return to the House of Representatives that the Democrats expect to gain by an appeal to the courts. Though that may be an incidental result, what they are desirous of securing is a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States that though the House of Representatives can seat or unseat any member of that body for cause or for no cause as to that matter, yet its action must be the work of a lawful majority of voting members and not the work of 160 voting members pieced out to the extent of a quorum by unlawfully counting as present members who refuse to vote. We do not understand how Mr. CARLISLE expects to effect his object, but we have confidence in his ability to secure the judgment of the Supreme Court on the merits of the question if he shall undertake to do so. It strikes us that it would have been better to have tested the question before the Speaker had been authorized by the rules of the House to count a quorum of his own. If, however, Reed's ruling was unconstitutional the House's rule must also be unconstitutional.

## The Tyrant Reed.

When the roll had been called in the House of Representatives at Washington on Thursday, in the case of ATKINSON vs. PENDLETON, the following proceeding took place:

**THE SPEAKER:** These names, 72 in number, with those which are recorded as voting show 214 members present, constituting a quorum to do business. The vote on the question is, "yes" 162, "nay" none and accordingly the resolution is adopted.

**M. OFFERALL:** I raise the point of order that no constitutional question is voted.

**THE SPEAKER:** The Chair overrules the point of order.

**M. OFFERALL:** And that a member should be ejected from this House on this vote.

**THE SPEAKER:** Accordingly the resolution is adopted and the member to be seated will come forward and take the oath.

**M. ROWE:** Mr. Speaker, I present the resolution.

**M. Atkinson** then appeared at the bar of the House and was duly qualified by taking the oath prescribed by law.

**THE TROY PRESS:** That CAMPBELL and McKinley pitted against each other would assure the hottest political contest ever fought on the Ohio battle-ground; that it would in reality be a race for the presidency and awaken the profoundest interest throughout the nation.

It is too soon to bring out candidates for 1892. At present Mr. CLEVELAND is the popular favorite, and we think there is no doubt that if the Democratic National Convention were to assemble in 1890 instead of 1892 he would be nominated by acclamation. But then there are so many contingencies possible that it is too soon to bet upon any aspirant. Mr. CAMPBELL is said to be a mascot, and his friends are confident that if re-elected Governor of Ohio in 1891 he will be nominated for President of the United States in 1892. Mr. McKinley is a foeman worthy of his steel.

**JONAH JAY:** Of New York, writing to the Herald touching the Blaine bill, quotes Dr. CURRY as authority for the statement that the following southern Democratic senators are recorded in favor of that bill—namely, Messrs. BROWN, CAL, COLQUITT, GARLAND, GEORGE, HAMPTON, JACKSON, JONES, JONES OF KENNA, POWELL, RANDON, GIBSON, LAMAR, YANCEY, BERRY, BLACKBURN, EUSTIS, JONES OF ARKANSAS, WALTHALL, DANIEL, and PASCO.

Whatever objection, therefore, may be made to the Blaine bill, it ought, upon such authority, to be acquited of the charge of unconstitutional.

The objections to it are of a totally different nature, and the opponents of the bill waste their time in denouncing it as unconstitutional. The fact that the ablest of lawyers are divided upon the question makes the objection named a weak rather than a strong one.

**SERVED THE GAMBLER RIGHT.**

**A Blacking Shot by the Man He Was Cheating at Cards.**

Mark A. Brown, a Chicago gambler, says a St. Louis special, was shot and dangerously wounded by Charles Hatfield, of Homestead, Pa., on an iron-bound train near Denver, Mo., Tuesday night about 10 o'clock. Baron and companion, George Jones, also of Chicago, had engaged in a game of poker with Hatfield and his party at the home of John Keller. It was a "skim" game, and Hatfield had looked like a farmer, but evidently was not, caught the idea after losing about \$700, and started for Baron with an ugly-looking revolver in his hand. He first struck him with the weapon, then shot him in the back, the right breast, leaving ugly and possibly fatal wounds. There was a wild scene on the train. Women screamed and fainted, and men dodged about seats until all quieting was over. Within a few minutes Hatfield took his revolver was emptied and coolly walked into the next car. Baron was carried to Poplar Bluff, and when he reached there was unconscious from loss of blood. No effort was made to catch Hatfield, who left the train bare-handed. Poplar Bluff, it being evident that he was not to blame. There was some talk about an old grudge between the men about a woman, the Baron's wife, playing at cards with Baron admits that his wife was wearing diamond bracelets and Keller with marked cards. Yesterday Baron was taken from Poplar Bluff to Hot Springs, Ark., in a precarious condition. Jones passed through St. Louis, en route for Chicago. He says he does not know where Baron was in Chicago or where he is now. Baron when in Chicago was in the employ of George Harris, and at one time owned a saloon at 75 Clark street.

**COUNTY Roads.**

**SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY, Va., Feb. 27, 1890.**

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

As the question is being discussed as to the propriety of keeping the public highways in order, it may be best, in order to offer a suggestion. While it is true the present plan does not meet the requirements of public necessity, it is well to consider whether we can afford to incur

such a largely increased burden as some of the methods suggested would entail. This, of course, as an example, probably have about 300 miles of public highway divided up into sections for convenience of working of about six miles each, or, in other words, fifty road sections. They could be put in order, the lower roads, subject to everybody's expense, to keep in repair for less than \$100 per year. This would mean \$5,000 annually to be levied upon the taxable values of the county with the labor now subject to largely reduced. It is a year for the one man to do a year's work, the one day usually spent in naming the hands to work is inadequate. If the Legislature will increase the pay to \$10 for such service, it is probable that it will be done with the expenditure in the case of this county of \$500 against \$5,000 on the contract plan, which we can't afford, however much we may appreciate good roads.

ROD OVERSEER.

**Maryland News.**

Mrs. Julian Brandenbush, of Catootin, is the owner of a calf about a week old that was born without eyes. It is very lively and growing nicely.

A lady picked up a lump of gold on the Great Rail-Road, worth five dollars. This find surprised the beachers that the sand and shovels are being vigorously used for other discoveries.

The growing clover in Dunlavy's Valley, near Towson, is being destroyed by a host of field-rats. They are the same common field-rats, but an entirely different species and larger, capable of doing great damage.

The farmers in the vicinity of Woodbine are becoming alarmed at the quantities of crows that infest the neighborhood, and are afraid to let them go, for their destruction, but the crow is so sagacious that they are quite able to take care of themselves.

President BRADTON laid before the Senate at Annapolis the petition of 559 citizens of the Somerset county praying the Legislature not to let any land be taken up under the state or any of the public bottoms to private use for the purpose of cultivating oysters.

Mr. EBEN MEYER, employed at a saw-mill near Mercersburg, had a letter to knock completely out last week. He was tired out from overwork, if your blood is pure and vitalize your blood, create a good appetite, and give you whole system tone and strength.

I wish to enroll my name as one of those who have derived health from the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. For many years I have taken it, especially in the early spring, when I am troubled with dizziness, stiffness, unpleasant tasks, and the like. In the morning it removes this bad taste, relieves my headache and makes me feel greatly refreshed. The two bottles I have used this spring have been worth many dollars to me. I advise all my friends to take it.

JOHN BIXING, 633 400 Street, town of Lake, Chicago, Ill.

**Notes.**

Acting Secretary Bachelder has informed the trustees of Christ Evangelical Lutheran church of Louisville, Ky., that the Canadian clergymen called by them is regarded as an alien within the meaning of the alien-contract labor law.

It was authoritatively learned Thursday morning that the manufacturers of the rubber goods held at the Windsor Hotel Wednesday, at which representatives of all the rubber boot and shoe companies in the United States were present, including the Canoe, the Two Brothers, Goodyear and others, had decided to private use of the public bottoms to private use for the purpose of cultivating oysters.

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any other sarsaparilla or blood purifier.

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the full powers of their art to make it a success.

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